

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An system and method for providing software upgrades to components of a vehicle, wherein the labor, time and expense of providing the upgrades are minimized. In one

5 embodiment, a network is installed in the vehicle, wherein the network comprises a transmission medium and one or more network devices coupled thereto. The network devices are addressable using IP addresses or object terminology. Data, software or service upgrades may be provided to the devices coupled to the network. The data, software and services may be delivered to the network through a first device, such as a wireless communication device, and then transmitted
10 through the network to the device which is to be upgraded. The network may join an external network which is configured to query the in-vehicle network and/or automatically download data to the in-vehicle network.